



Les Amis de Marigny

Helping to make Marigny a better place to live, work and play

A MARIGNY CHRISTMAS

by Rebecca G. Molyneux

On Sunday, December 12, 2010, the Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association will host its 25th annual celebration of Christmas in the Marigny at Washington Square Park from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Marigny residents and businesses invite locals and tourists alike to celebrate the holiday season with them.

Browse the holiday art market, which features local artists who will showcase and sell their work, including photography, jewelry, crafts, home furnishings, wall art and more. You can also enjoy festive, live music in the beautifully decorated park, and a special kids area full of fun activities and even clowns. Papa Noël, the original Creole Santa, will be available to take pictures with children, as will the American Santa Claus.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 27th

Park Decorating 10am—2pm

DECEMBER 10th

Park Clean-up 10am—2pm

DECEMBER 12th

Art Market 10am—4pm

Kids Area 10am—4pm

Music 12pm—5pm

Caroling 6pm—8pm

Watch our website www.faubourgmarigny.org and our newsletter for updates and join us for the fun.

We are looking for volunteers to help with set up as well as take down efforts for this event. Volunteers are also needed to work two hour shifts at the sales table during the event and to serve refreshments during the caroling portion of the event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact volunteer@faubourgmarigny.org.



Papa Noel, aka Lloyd Sensat



Musicians at 2009 event

After shopping at the holiday art market, enjoy a leisurely stroll through the historic Marigny neighborhood and stop at one of our great restaurants, coffee shops or bars and soak in the local flavor. Then, join us back in the park for our caroling event at 6 p.m. and toast the season with a glass of warm cider, munch on a cookie, and enjoy an evening of candlelight caroling, New Orleans style. It all makes for a very Marigny Christmas.



Visitors from the past



Elf and friends

Home for the Holidays



The NOCCA Institute, House of Blues, and the family of Daniel Price invite you to Home for the Holidays at House of Blues New Orleans on Thursday, December 23, 2010. Home for the Holidays is a night of spectacular art and music benefiting the Daniel Price Memorial Fund for Aspiring Artists, which honors the memory of NOCCA alumnus Daniel Price.

This year's event will include performances by Trombone Shorty, Kermit Ruffins, Amanda Shaw, Rebirth Brass Band, and many, many more. Tickets start at \$30 for the concert and \$125 for the patron party, which features a special set by John Boutte. Visit www.NOCCAInstitute.com for ticket info and links, or call 504 310 4999 to order tickets now!

SPECIAL EVENTS

News From Marigny Green

by Deborah Oppenheim

Marigny Green's **Second Annual Sustainable Outreach Event** was held on October 17th at the Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association (FMIA) 5th Annual Walking Tour in Washington Square Park. It was a smashing success.



Marigny Green is a volunteer committee of FMIA and is making resources and information available on living green and how to help create a sustainable Faubourg Marigny. Marigny Green wants to thank Green Light New Orleans, Global Green, Parkway Partners, Metro Bike Coalition, Habitat ReStore, Bayou Rebirth, PRCNO, Holly Grove Market, Where Ya Rack, and The ReUse District for presenting their information and resources to our residents of the Marigny and New Orleans. Marigny Green appreciated the collaboration of these organizations to continue the mission of creating a sustainable New Orleans.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact deborah@faubourgmarigny.org.

Board News

Congratulations to our new executive board...

- Chris Costello, President
- Jim Farr, Vice-President
- Eva Campos, Treasurer
- Gretchen Bomboy, Corresponding Secretary
- Deborah Oppenheim, Recording Secretary

For those who do not have the time to be a Board Member you can always get involved through committees. The FMIA works best when everyone pitches in so if you have something you are interested in let a board member know. A list of committees appears on page 7.

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About the Newsletter

Les Amis de Marigny is the newsletter of the Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association, a 501(c) non-profit, all-volunteer organization committed to the preservation of the unique architectural and cultural heritage of our historic district, and to improving the quality of life in our diverse community. Contents, editorials and opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the official views of the FMIA, its Board or its members. Contents of Les Amis de Marigny are copyrighted. Permission to reprint any of the newsletter, including photographs and original artwork, must be obtained from the editor and/or byline columnist.

Manuscripts, photographs and articles dealing with topics of interest to the Marigny neighborhood are encouraged. The editor reserves the right to reject submissions including editorial and advertising content. Submissions must be received by the 7th of the month for inclusion in the next month's issue. Send contributions to: FMIA Newsletter, 2401 Burgundy St Box 10, NOLA 70117 or editor@faubourgmarigny.org.

The newsletter is published each month except August and January.

President's Report

by Chris Costello

Ahhh...the cool weather is upon us. It is as if New Orleans has been reborn and people are out and about celebrating the renewal.

November is the month of Thanks and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have helped us carry on our charge of making the Marigny a great place to live, work and play. Specifically, I would like to thank Council member Gisleson Palmer and her staff for listening to our concerns and helping us with our issues. I would also like to thank the HDLC, Parks & Parkway, City Planning and Code Enforcement staffs for working with us to not only make our neighborhood better but our city as a whole. I would like to thank the residents of the Marigny for their years of hard work and for believing that if we work together we can create a place of our own we call home. And lastly, to my Board and to those who have graciously volunteered their time to continue the 39 year legacy of our organization. Without your tireless love and devotion for the neighborhood we would not be enjoying the Marigny we have today. Thank you!

Our 5th Annual Walking Tour was a great success. It was a beautiful day to be outside and the art market, music and walking tour made it that much more enjoyable. Thank you to everyone who helped make it so special and congratulations to Ken Caron who organized such a great event.

We will be celebrating our 25th Annual Candlelight Caroling on December 12. During the day we will have our Holiday Art Market with live music and a Kids Activity area as well as Papa Noel. We are looking for people to get into the holiday spirit by helping us with the event. Whether it is planning the event, cleaning or decorating the park or helping the day of we need your help. If you cannot help with the event, help us out by decorating your property to get into the holiday spirit.

St Claude Avenue is looking better and better thanks to the efforts of St. Claude Avenue Main Street. Besides working on reducing blight and graffiti the group is actively seeking businesses to come onto the street so we may have the goods and services we need to revitalize our commercial corridor. They will be having their annual Main to Main event called St. Claude Celebrates the Arts on November 13 with live music and art market and more. Visit www.stclaudemainstreet.org for more details.

Before we know it the holiday season will be upon us. While the weather is good, come out and enjoy the events planned in our neighborhood. Supporting your neighborhood is a great way to help make the Marigny a great place to live, work and play.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.



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NONPAC Meetings

5th District Report

By John Luckett

Captain Kelly opened the meeting at 7 PM.

Officer Alsina stated that all abandoned vehicles had been reported were tagged and reported to Public Works for removal. All street lights that had been reported as out had been fixed.

Due to ongoing and active investigations there were no Task Force or Narcotics reports this month.

Captain Kelly encouraged all citizens who could to take part in the monthly Crime Walks. She said that the main purpose of the walks was community outreach. She is very open to any suggestions for future routes.

Captain Kelly was very pleased and encouraged by the compliments of the attendees about how effective the policing has been lately. She said she cannot stress enough that the citizens communicate their complaints and problems to the District. Her email address is: bmkelly@cityofno.com.

The meeting ended at 8 PM.

8th District Report

A volunteer is needed to attend and report on the 8th District NONPAC meetings. Contact volunteer@faubourgmarigny.org if interested.



MEET THE NEIGHBORS

by Lisa Tabb

A big thank you goes out to the Lost Love Lounge for hosting the October's Meet the Neighbors. Tasty treats of spring and egg rolls were provided by Pho King, the new restaurant housed inside the lounge. Remember Pho King is open Tuesday- Saturday 6pm to midnight and Sunday 11am-midnight. With the kitchen open and the back room screen TV on, the Love Lost is a great place to watch the Saints games. And don't forget to try one of their amazing Blood Mary's. It is brunch in a glass!

Please join us on December 14th at Byrdies on 2422A St. Claude between 6:30-8:30 for Meet the Neighbors. Byrdie's is a gallery and coffee shop rolled into one. Meet the Neighbors is open to all the Faubourg Marigny community (renters, owners, and businesses alike).

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No More Blight

by Alexandre Vialou

This is a reprint of the email (slightly shortened), I sent to Mayor Mitch Landrieu and his deputy mayor, Andy Kopplin. As a result of this communication, on October 29th, I will be meeting with Mr. Jeff Hébert, the City Blight Policy and Neighborhood Revitalization Director.

"Dear Mayor,

As a volunteer coordinating the Blight response in the Faubourg Marigny, I have paid close attention to the City of New Orleans Blight Strategy unveiled on September 30th. Like all neighborhoods, the Faubourg Marigny is plagued with a significant number of blighted properties. However, the emphasis your administration is putting on the demolition of blighted properties raises some concerns. I believe this policy will neglect large sections of the City and create perverse incentives leading to more blight and demolition.

A large number of blighted properties in our City are located in neighborhoods that are considered historic districts by the City of New Orleans. In these historic districts, the demolition of historic structures is not encouraged for one major reason: it creates vacant lots. In fact, since September 2005 more than 20 properties – many historic - have been demolished in the Faubourg Marigny but only 1 new structure has been built. Your goal of demolishing 10,000 blighted properties risks affecting disproportionately large areas of our City where demolitions are unregulated while undermining the preservation efforts of the historic districts.

An easier access to demolition will provide the wrong incentive for many developers to purchase currently blighted buildings and wait until the house becomes in such a state of disrepair that it will fit whatever guidelines the City will judge sufficient for demolition. Three years from now, the number of eligible properties for demolition will certainly grow significantly. I am afraid that you are starting a never ending demolition industry in the City instead of one that encourages renovation.

The Faubourg Marigny Improvement Association has started a data-driven management of its stock of blighted property. It serves us to keep track of all blighted properties, to identify those that are priorities and to monitor their outcomes when reported to Code Enforcement. Throughout this process we have learned to be more efficient. Here are some suggestions from our findings.

The level of Code Enforcement fines, which are capped to a maximum of \$15,000, is ill-conceived to provide the proper incentives for delinquent homeowners to start repairing their blighted properties. It is either too insignificant and is disregarded, or too high and can become an impediment for action to low-income homeowners. \$15,000 represents 10% of the total value of a \$150,000 single shotgun house in the Bywater. But \$15,000 represents 20% of a \$75,000 double shotgun on Franklin Avenue in the Faubourg Saint Roch, and less than 1% of a \$2,000,000 commercial building in New Orleans East. Instead of a maximum fee, would it be possible to apply a fine as a percentage of the total property value?

As property values have increased throughout the City, real estate taxes have also increased significantly yet the homestead exemption has remained constant at \$7,500 per household. There are now too many residents who cannot afford to pay their property taxes. Faced with the choice of either losing their homes or repairing them to bring them up to City of New Orleans Hous-

ing Standards, many end up postponing the necessary repairs that ultimately reduces their equity. What are the steps your administration is taking to reduce the cost of living in our City?

As a volunteer organization for our neighborhood, you can be sure that we want to be an integral partner with the City's long term plan to tackle this issue. Please note however that our neighborhood association has never been invited to participate in any of the discussions involving the issue of Blight. Our voice and opinions have been unheard which is why I am writing to you today.

Respectfully, Alex Vialou"

As usual you can contact us directly at blight@faubourgmarigny.org to let us know of any properties that you would like some assistance in getting through the Code Enforcement Process.

NEWS FROM THE ReUse DISTRICT

from the ReUse District Steering Committee

Representatives from The ReUse District steering committee met with Councilperson Kristen Palmer and her staff to request that New Orleans City Council recognize The ReUse District in the 7th Ward, ByWater, Marigny, St. Claude and St. Roch neighborhoods of New Orleans as the first reuse district in the United States. The ReUse District promotes the awareness and accessibility of reused materials by uniting like minded organizations in these neighborhoods. The New Orleans City Council is excited to issue this proclamation officially declaring our neighborhoods as The ReUse District and recognizing The ReUse District as the first reuse district in the country.

The proclamation will be issued at 9:30am on November 4th before the City Council meeting. Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony. If you are a member of The ReUse District, it is a wonderful way to have your business or organization be a part of a historic moment in New Orleans.

Marigny Green, a committee of FMIA, has played a significant role in the establishment of the ReUse District. For more information check our websites, www.thereusedistrict.org and www.marignygreen.org



The 5th District held a Crime Walk in the Triangle on October 25. Back row: Officer Jones, Chris Costello, Mary Cunningham, Ken Caron, unknown, and Gretchen Bomboy. Front row: Lieutenant Selby, Captain Hosli, Barbara Rahne, Susan Sims, unknown and unknown. The dog is also unidentified.

GRAND SUCCESS AT WASHINGTON SQUARE

By Ken Caron

The 5th Annual Walking Tour took place on Sunday, October 17, 2010 starting at Washington Square Park. It was a beautiful sunny fall day with lots of activities and festivals in the area and a New Orleans Saints game to boot. Yet we had one of our best attended and most enjoyed tours ever!

The music provided by Snug Harbor Jazz Bistro, d.b.a., Café Rose Nicaud was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Children and adults alike enjoyed decorating pumpkins thanks to Artist's Inc.



Kids having fun thanks to Reese Johanson, Sebastien Rizzo and Kimberly.

The Annual Walking Tour is a tremendous way to showcase our great neighborhood with it's architectural and culture heritage.

Thanks to Lloyd Sensat, Bill Hyland and Gene Cizek for their tireless efforts. Also thank you to Eva Campos, Gretchen Bomboy, Jason Patterson, Deborah Oppenheim, Sam Armstrong and Reese Johanson, Chris Costello and Sheriff Marlin Guzman.

A very special thanks to the volunteers that gave up part of their Sunday to make this walking tour a success!

Tour Guides: Chuck Berg, Russ Carl, Gary Deleamont, Rick Fifield, Carol Gniady, Jeanne Marquez, Katye Rhett, Bobby Moffett, Mark Thomas and Bill Whiting.

Kids Area: Sebastien Rizzo and Kimberly.

Marigny Green: Rick Fifield, Craig Lewis, Betty Lilley, Malcolm Willison

Set up and tear down: Craig Lewis, Craig Bialy and Nelson ?. Also Deputy Greg Jones who supervised the hard working Trustees.

Merchandise and Ticket Sales: Danielle Kemp, Margaret Collins, Don Blanding, Merle Dormoy.

Events like the Walking Tour are not successful with out armies of volunteers. When the call comes our for volunteers in the future, please consider giving an hour or two of your time. It can be lots of fun and a great way to meet some of your neighbors.

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Color Me Creole

This is the **tenth** in a series of drawings to show the rich architectural inventory of Faubourg Marigny. I will be featuring drawings from my sketchbook of Bernard de Marigny's historic neighborhood. Eventually, it will become a coloring book to teach children and adults how "to read" a building by type and style and identify its components. The houses illustrated will represent what I consider to be the best examples in Marigny. It is my hope that this will aid in a better understanding of architecture and foster a love for old buildings and demonstrate the importance of historic preservation.

Lloyd Sensat
Sun Oak in Faubourg Marigny
May 2010

Plantation Style Raised Basement House: 1750-1865 By Eugene Cizek & Lloyd Sensat

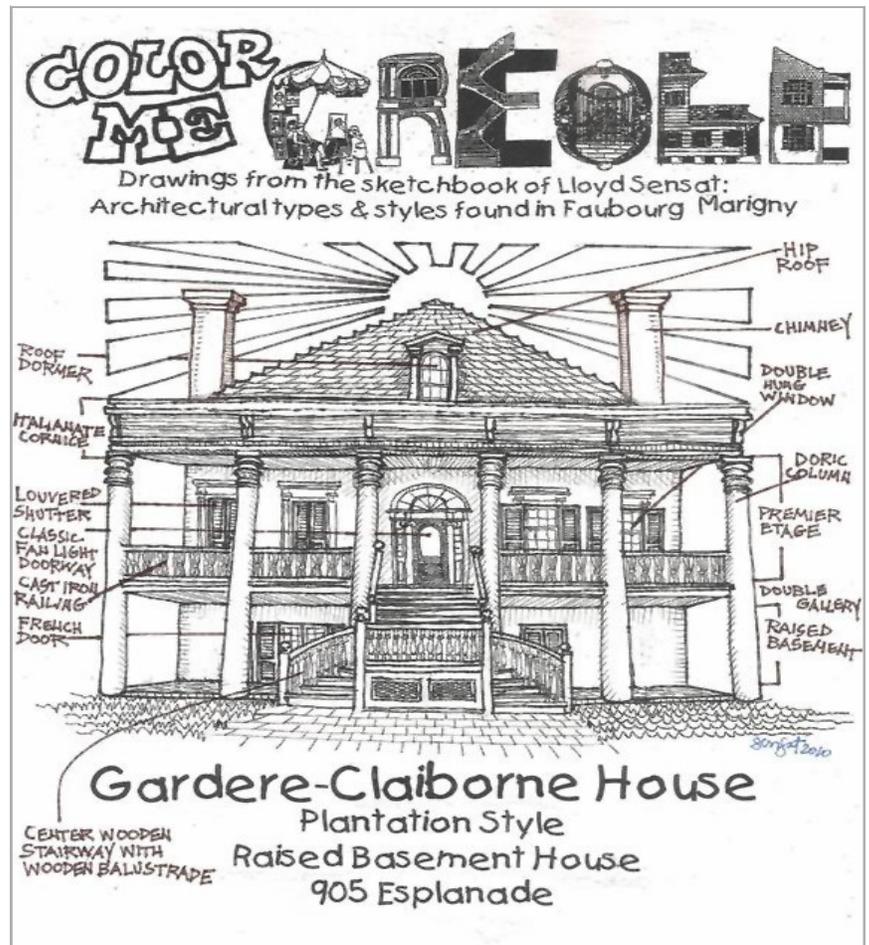
The earliest houses of Louisiana had raised, above ground level cellars (raised basements) with the main floor on the second level. A gallery on the second level was on at least two sides and sometimes all four. Later in the Greek Revival period, the gallery would be supported by full length columns. A steep hipped roof was generally pierced by dormers on either two sides or on all four.

Gardere-Claiborne House: 905 Esplanade

The house was built in by 1833 by Francois Gardere, a native of France. This is one of the grandest houses in the neighborhood and another Claiborne mansion.

It is an urban adaptation of a plantation style house, exhibiting Creole, Federal and American features both inside and out. The house is constructed of brick with a spacious double gallery supported by Greek Doric columns on the front facade. The circa 1885 Francois Mugnier photograph records the original facade with original Greek Revival cornice and column capitals behind a vertical board fence. The side and rear have not been altered and are treated with fine detail and original dentils continuing around the house. Like Louisiana plantation houses and suburban villas, it was designed to be seen from all directions. During this time the dining room was in the raised basement ground floor. A beautifully detailed classic federal doorway gives entry to the center hall on the premier etage.

In 1894, Judge Charles Claiborne purchased the house. He was a grandson of our first American Governor. The present house is the result of Claiborne's exuberant remodeling. A wide wooden stairway with double curved centered on the front facade was added, as well as the leaded glass front door, and the heavy facade entablature. The interior was transformed to late Victorian decor with arches in the wide center hall, marble mantels and fancy ceiling medallions. Lavish wallcovering, varnished woodwork and English and Dutch crystal gas-electric chandeliers reflected the opulence of other Esplanade Avenue mansions. The house remained in the Claiborne family for over 100 years. It was another victim of Hurricane Katrina when the descendants auctioned off the family



Orchids & Onions

ORCHIDS-

- + To Rebecca Molyneux, who worked on the PR for the Walking Tour.
- + Thank you, Mr. Spedale, for the work on the CBA.
- + A special welcome to new Board Members Jim Farr, Jason Patterson, and Donna Wakeman.
- + Congratulations to the new Executive Board.
- + To the Newsletter Committee for an excellent job with the newsletter.

ONIONS

- The destruction of the palm trees in Washington Square Park.
- Graffiti throughout the neighborhood.
- Neighbors who do not curb their dogs.

Sexy Calendars

Seductive calendars with pictures of local trees, Sexy Trees of the Marigny, are for sale. All profits benefit Marigny Green. If interested in purchasing a calendar, contact deborah@faubourgmarigny.org or www.marignygreen.org.



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What the reviewers are saying...

"Lummis's tender and affectionate descriptions of New Orleans, his 'Paris of the South,' evoke Pat Conroy's lush and loving portrayal of coastal South Carolina. Just as Conroy's *South of Broad* is a paean to Charleston, so is Lummis's *Chronicles* a love song to New Orleans. Alternately funny, painful, entertaining, and always unflinchingly honest, *The Coffee Shop Chronicles of New Orleans* is a must read."

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Marigny Trailer Trash

by Arin Clark Atkins

If citizens all over the world do not get serious about reducing, reusing and recycling, we are going to wind up like the people in Pixar's 2008 movie, *Wall-E*. There, Earthlings had to evacuate because of all the junk that had accumulated with no effective way of disposal. The Earth was full of garbage and life could no longer be sustained.

Help in this endeavor has come to our neighborhood by way of the *Trailer Trash Initiative* that was launched in August of this year. Bywater resident Ryan Peterson started this program as an easy and affordable way to assist neighbors with recycling. Ryan rides his bicycle, pulling a trailer through the Marigny, Bywater and French Quarter, and picks up customers' recyclables. Ryan is able to collect aluminum, paper, cardboard and plastic.

Customers go to www.trailertrashinitiative.com to sign up for this service. There is a suggested donation of \$10.00 - \$15.00 per month, but Ryan says it is not a requirement for the service. Customers can learn more about the program at the website and while there contribute through a secure on-line site. Since the amount is a suggestion only, people have the option to pay a little more in order to help support the concept. That suggestion did not come from Ryan, but it seems a nice way to promote the effort for those who can afford to do so.

Once established as a customer, Ryan maps the addresses and provides bi-monthly pick up on every other week. The exact day will depend on the customer's location. Customers are asked to place their recyclables in plastic or paper bags in front of their homes, just like garbage pick-up. Recycles are collected between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. That which is collected is later taken to the Saturday drop-off for city recycling.

Ryan stated that he had planned to take his collection to the *Green Project*, but this is no longer an option. However, the *Green Project* does recycle paint and electronic waste which is very important to the environment. Make a note to contact the *Green Project* if you have paint or electronics- don't put them in your trash for regular collection. Paints and electronics contain toxins that go into the Earth at a landfill. They must be disposed of properly. The *Green Project* is located at 2831 Marias Street, phone number 504-945-0240, or visit them at www.thegreenproject.org.



Ryan with his trailer.

You can contact Ryan at admin@trailertrashinitiative.com. By visiting the *Trailer Trash Initiative* website, you will learn that the program's ideology focuses on promoting environmental awareness through a carbon-neutral recycling pickup service. Additionally, in these times of climate change, it is more important than ever that recycling systems be made available to everyone, regardless of economic situation, and also that the recycling systems themselves be made as environmentally friendly as possible.

The City of New Orleans does not offer a recycling program, neither for fee or for free. There are other programs, such as Phoenix recycling which offer pick-up for a comparable fixed charge. What separates the *Trailer Trash Initiative* from such programs is the carbon-neutral method of collection: no gasoline, no exhaust, no oil, just good-old human effort, which provides great exercise to the rider. Win-win for all. However, since Ryan is only able to provide service to the Marigny, Bywater and French Quarter, Phoenix recycling is a better than nothing option for New Orleans residents in other neighborhoods.

What about glass, though, you may ask? In the years after Katrina, glass was going straight to the landfills as there was nobody able to collect and process it. Word was that NOLA Glass started accepting general recycles, including glass, this year. However, attempts at contacting NOLA Glass were unsuccessful and there does not seem to be a website. Hopefully that program is just on hold and will be operational soon. As of now, people can take their glass to the Target in Metairie for recycling.

Recycling is an extremely important part in preserving our Earth's natural resources. Unfortunately, these once abundant resources are currently in significant peril. Everyone should make recycling a priority and way-of-life. Our own Deborah Openheim of Marigny Green checked out the *Trailer Trash Initiative* and found it to be the real deal. *The Trailer Trash Initiative* is an excellent fit for residents of the Marigny, Bywater and French Quarter, as one of their own is providing a low, if not zero impact plan for reducing the collective carbon footprint. Good idea, Ryan. Ride on!



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- Radiculopathy

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- Post Op Total Hip Replacement
- Femoral Fractures
- Labrum Tears
- Osteoarthritis
- Bursitis
- Piriformis Syndrome
- Groin Strain

KNEE

- Post Op Total Knee Replacement
- Osteoarthritis
- Tendonitis
- Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome
- IT Band Syndrome
- Chondromalacia Patella

ANKLE

- Stress Fractures
- Sprains
- Plantar Fasciitis
- Shin Splints
- Achilles Tendonitis
- Posterior Tibialis Tendonitis
- Post Op
- Bunions

SHOULDER

- Post Op Rotator Cuff Repair
- Fixation
- Rotator Cuff Problems
- Impingement Syndrome
- Labrum Tear
- Biceps Tendonitis
- Frozen Shoulder

ELBOW, WRIST AND HAND

- Tennis Elbow
- Golfer's Elbow
- Carpal Tunnel Syndrome/Release
- Trigger Finger

TMJ

- Lock Jaw
- Clicking or Popping Jaw
- Neck Pain and Headaches
- Ear Pain

WOMEN'S HEALTH

- Pregnancy/Post Partum Lower Back and Pelvic Pain
- Pubic Symphysis Separation
- Urinary Incontinence (Men and Women)
- Pelvic Organ Prolapse
- Chronic Pelvic Pain
- Painful Bladder Syndrome.

RHEUMATOLOGIC

- Rheumatoid Arthritis
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NOVEMBER

Meet the Neighbors

November 9
6:30-8:30 pm

Magnolia Physical Therapy

839 Spain St

General Meeting

November 15

6:30 Pot Luck

7:15 Meeting

St. Paul Lutheran Church

2624 Burgundy St

DECEMBER

Board Meeting

December 1

7:00-9:00 pm

2408 Chartres St

Meet the Neighbors

December 14

6:30-8:30 pm

Birdie's Gallery & Coffee Shop

2422A St. Claude

General Meeting

December 20

6:30 Pot Luck

7:15 Meeting

St. Paul Lutheran Church

2624 Burgundy St

Candlelight

Caroling

December 12

10:00am-8:00pm

Washington Square Park

(see page 1 for details)

NONPAC Meetings

5th District

2nd Wednesday

7 pm

2372 St. Claude Ave

&

8th District

2nd Thursday

5:30 pm

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Green Markets

Wednesdays

French Market

10am - 5pm

Saturdays

St. Anna's Episcopal Church

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French Market

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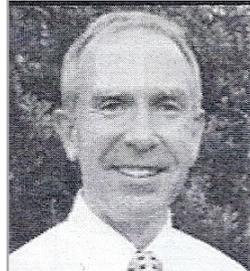
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FMIA General Meeting October 18, 2010 Minutes

Chris Costello was out of town and Gretchen Bomboy opened the meeting and welcomed the members, the new members, and guests.

Announcements:

- 1) Meet the neighbors: Tuesday, November 9th at Magnolia Physical Therapy.
- 2) We have new T shirts and mugs for sale.

Committee Reports:

1) Blight: Alex said that on September 30th the City of New Orleans unveiled a new strategy to eradicate Blight. The Strategy sets up a course of action that appears to rely too heavily on destruction of blighted properties. It is short on specifics and concrete plans that would improve the status of blighted properties in our neighborhood. A letter has been sent to the Landrieu Administration and a meeting will be set up to talk about the strategy. It is important to know what we want the administration to do with respect to blight. It was reiterated that there is a need for outreach to the elderly and to low income residents. Alex thanked Mary Cunningham with Councilperson Palmer's Department for her help. Upcoming hearings: 2230 Chartres on 10/20/2010; 615 Mandeville on 10/21/2010; 2017 N. Rampart on 10/21/2010.

2) Marigny Green: Marigny Green is looking for a sponsor for the banner to be placed on Elysian Fields. As promised, Deborah displayed the mock up of the banner. Marigny Green reminded the participants of the battery recycling program and for sale energy efficient bug lights. The Walking Tour was a recycled event thanks to Phoenix who provided the recycle service. Marigny Green hosted the 2nd annual sustainable outreach event with participants from various sustainable organizations. Join Marigny Green and help create a greener place to live, work and play by contacting Deborah at deb-oraho@faubourgmarigny.org.

3) 5th Annual Walking Tour: We were pleased with the attendance. Thanks to Ken, the Chairperson, and the handful of volunteers who made it happen, the Walking Tour was a huge success. Please thank Jason Patterson when you see him in the neighborhood or at Snug Harbor for arranging all the music. Fortunately, Jason was able to solve the equipment crisis by providing the needed amps and sound board. Thank you Gene and Lloyd for creating the tour and having their home opened. We thank Bill Hyland and Bernard de Marigny for their contribution and presence. Thank you Eva for the multiple roles of organizing the art market, merchandise and ticket sales. We could not have the Walking Tour without Gretchen for all her hard work on preparing the physical site, running the errands, and moving heavy tables and chairs. Thank you Reese for organizing the Kid's Tent and it was a joy to see all the happy children with their decorated pumpkins. Sam did an incredible job of getting the ads for the Walking Tour pamphlet, thank you. Thanks to Chris for working on the pamphlet, paperwork, and public relations. We thank Deveney and Rebecca Molyneux for the PR. Thanks to Robert's for donating the soft drinks and water. A many thanks to the Tour Guides. A big thank you to Craig for all your help and the use of your van. Thanks to Deborah and Rick of Marigny Green for the educational outreach event. We are grateful to Sheriff Gusman and want to say thank you for your support, for the parolees, and the use of the tents.

A Testimonial by Gretchen: *This is Why We Need More Volunteers.* On Friday, October 15th, Gretchen met with the sheriff department for cleaning Washington Square Park. On Saturday, she loaded up tables/ chairs in Craig's van. Gretchen went to Robert's in Lakeview to pick up the drinks. On Sunday, she met with Craig to unload the table/chairs at Washington Square Park. Before she unloaded her car with the drinks, she purchased big bags of ice for the coolers and then iced the drinks. After the event, the tables/chairs had to be brought back to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

PLEASE HELP US for Caroling on December 12th. It takes a lot of people to make an event happen.

TOPICS:

1) Elysian Fleas: Gretchen asked and there were no issues with Elysian Fleas.

2) Survey for St. Roch Market: This will be our market and we want to know what the residents want. For those who filled out the survey, thank you. The time is running out if you did not fill out the survey. It is in the newsletter and on our website. Please ask your neighbors to fill out the survey because it is important to hear from our residents.

3) Jared Brossett, State Representative 286-1033 (w), sits on the Hurricane Recovery Committee. He encourages everyone to vote and early voting is open. There is an amendment regarding blight which undermines all what we are doing to ameliorate blight. Please read the amendment(s) by going to www.la-par.org.

4) The Security District was on the last ballot and failed.

5) Phyllis Jordan, Executive Director of the Green Project which recycles building materials, paints, and other materials. Phyllis informed the members that the Green Project will be labeling storm drains —*Drains to lake – Do not Dump on November 14th*. Volunteers will put flyers at homes in the area from Claiborne Ave. to the river and Poland Ave. to Elysian Fields. October 23rd is a free E-waste drop off at the Green Project of cell phones, electronics, and computers.

5) Fringe Fest November 17th -21st www.nofringe.org: The heart of the Fringe Fest is in the Marigny and Bywater. Kristen Evans thanks the Marigny for having the Fringe Festival in the neighborhood. Fringe Fest is five days, 150 shows, 22 venues of theater, drama, spoken word, music, comedy, dance, circus art and more. There is a free for all tent, family, tent, and the Fringe parade. The ReUse District is putting together an art yard. The newest venue is at the Den of Muses where Krewe du Vieux floats are stored. VOLUNTEERS are needed and if you work a shift, you will get a complimentary ticket.

Issue:

Officer Jones, Quality of Life Officer (504-239-0358 and 301-7667 rjones@nola.gov rjones@cityofno.com) and Sergeant Williams, Community Coordinator of 8th District and Office Alsina Sr., Quality of Life Officer and Sergeant Franklin, Community Coordinator of 5th District and representing Council person Palmer's office, Mary Cunningham attended the meeting to discuss the serious issue of crime, drugs, trash, illegal establishments, and illegal parking on Frenchmen Street. They are working on finding solutions. The police will make their presence known.

The 8th District is looking at crime prevention through environmental design. From the street light survey taken in the French Quarter, they concluded that 80% of the French Quarter has ample lightning. However, in the residential area, the residents do not turn on their porch lights. Light will deter criminal activity. It was also suggested to trim back the hedges and bushes. Office Jones said, *Light up your block* and Deborah added, *Purchase an energy efficient bug light from Marigny Green.*

Q: Parking Meters in the Marigny triangle: What are the actual hours to pay for parking meters? A: Call Department of Public Works 658-8100 for parking information.

Q: People park and leave their car for many days during the week and on the weekend. A: Officer Jones received emails about parking and they are frustrated too. They can't write tickets. They are working on parking control to come out on certain nights and try to combat each problem and/or sign over the electronic machines so the police can do this.

Q: Franklin Avenue is having issues with noise and nuisance issues. A: Call if there is a problem and if it is a repeated problem, fill out the Hot Sheet. Q: There is prostitution on St. Claude Ave. A: Yes, they are aware and working on this. Call immediately if you have any information.

Information: www.nolaready.info will be changed to www.nola.gov. Sign up for daily post of crime map information. Please note that there will be a transition of web addresses.

Events: There is a parade on October 30th and notices and the route will be posted. There is a possibility that Frenchmen Street will be closed.

Comment: The police have come a long way in the last six months. We thank you.

Mary Cunningham: She will brief the council and an internal meeting will be organized to come up with solutions to the issues. Mary said that the noise ordinance is being revised for final approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm



FMIA Board Meeting October 6, 2010 Minutes

Chris Costello called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

Board members Present: Chris Costello, Gene Cizek, Donna Wakeman, Gretchen Bomboy, Jim Farr, Eva Campos, Ken Caron, Deborah Oppenheim

Board Members Absent: Jason Patterson

Guests: Rebecca Molyneux, intern with Deveney, Mr. Spedale, Howard Allen

Announcements:

a. Community Requests: Howard is upset about unruly and destructive people on the street who are disturbing the neighbors. The police have been called numerous times.

Administration

Election of Officers: A motion to elect the following to the Board offices: Recording Secretary, Deborah Oppenheim; Treasurer, Eva Campos; President, Chris Costello, Corresponding Secretary, Gretchen and Vice President, Jim Farr Gene second Vote: Unanimous

Review Policies: The policy regarding email voting: If you don't respond it is assumed that you are abstaining. If a Board member is called and they vote yes, it must be put in writing through an email. Chris moved that we accept the policies and procedures as written. Second: Gretchen Vote: Unanimous

Approvals by email:

Political Ads in the newsletter: Chris moved as an organization that we do not publish any political ads in any publications such as newsletter, walking and home tour, caroling and website. Second: Gretchen Vote: Unanimous Chris moved that we do not forward political endorsements. Second: Gretchen Vote: Unanimous

Approval of minutes from 9/8 Board and 9/20 General Meetings: Chris moved that we approve the minutes with the corrections. Second: Ken Vote: Unanimous

President's Report

Meetings:

Riverfront Park: Gene and Chris attended. The plan for the riverfront park has been condensed. What we were told is that there will be only one ramp, additional access openings in the Marigny, and a grassy area.

St Roch Meeting: Chris and Gretchen attended the meeting re code enforcement.

RDO: Chris met with Paul Kramer, CPC to talk about the changes. He invited him to a Board Meeting.

Easement Fees: Gretchen and Chris attended. There is a law on the city books that the city can charge for air rights such as balcony, galleries, stoops and this will be added to the tax bill. It would be a lot of revenue for the city. This would have to be a uniformed charge throughout the city. A document will be created after the law department has completed the research.

Office of Film: Chris and Jason attended a meeting to talk about the movie which will close Decatur Street at Frenchmen on Nov. 8th and details will be given at a later date.

Treasurer's Report: Eva will send the Treasurer's report through email.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter: Orchids: Rebecca Molyneux who worked on the PR for the Walking Tour, Thank you Mr. Spedale for the work on the CBA, Gretchen for hosting and preparing a meal for the transitional meeting and hosting the October Board Meeting. A special welcome to the new Board Members: Jim Farr, Jason Patterson, and Donna Wakeman and congratulations to the new Executive Board. To the Newsletter Committee for an excellent job with the newsletter and Donna Wakeman, the Editor. Onions: The destruction of the palm trees in Washington Square Park, Graffiti throughout the neighborhood. Neighbors who do not curb their dogs.

Gretchen moved that we publish a newsletter in December and not January Second: Eva Discussion: It is a missed opportunity and discussed about having a flyer for the month not published. Amend: The newsletter schedule is

changed that we have one in December and not January and a flyer will go out in January. Second: Ken Vote: Unanimous. Speedy is printing the newsletter and in case of an emergency, the back-up will be Deveney. The Newsletter Committee is working on more ads for neutral cost of printing for FMIA. The Newsletter Committee sees the newsletter as a way to get more members and is looking at a greater distribution area.

Fifth Annual Walking Tour and Art Market is October 17th in Washington Square: Ken mentioned that we have no volunteers for ticket sales, to pick up tables/chairs/ merchandise/ and volunteers to help set up the park. We thank Ken Caron for coordinating the Walking Tour. We thank Jason Patterson for

helping with the music, Gretchen Bomboy for the physical site, Chris Costello for the brochure and behind the scene work, Eva Campos for art area and sales, Reese Johanson for Kid's Area, Deborah Oppenheim and Rick Fifield for coordinating Marigny Green outreach, Lloyd Sensat, Gene Cizek, and Bill Hyland for the creation of the tour and opening Sun Oak and the Tour Guides.

Old business:

Projects

1027 Touro Street Request: Property is under contract with someone new.

1807 N. Rampart Street: Parking support must have a valet plan. The question is what is needed by BZA for a Valet Parking Plan.

Parking Permits in the Marigny: Chris spoke with Councilperson Palmer's office and we ready to move forward with this proposal.

Washington Square Park: Trashcans were ordered and they will be delivered within 7-9 weeks.

Historic Markers: No status

Washington Square Park: The shed was treated for termites and the existing shelving was destroyed by the termites. We are looking into the appropriate type of shelving preferably with wheels.

Histories: Brian was doing this project.

Flowers for Bernard de Marigny: FMIA will purchase a wreath for Bernard de Marigny's tomb on November 1st, All Saints Day. Lloyd is handling this committee.

Colton School: Letter sent

Walgreens Agreement: Mr. Spedale, our attorney, worked on the Walgreen's Community Benefits Agreement. Walgreen's on St. Claude and Elysian Fields is expanding. According to the CBA, if Walgreen does not start the project within the year, it will revert back. Walgreen is obligated to do the following: 1) To follow the design of the landscape plan 2) To maintain and replace as needed the landscape 3) To create the proper irrigation 4) Walgreen will construct the proper drain for the driveway. An injunction will be given if they do not follow the CBA and Walgreen's is obligated to pay all fees and cost. The CBA is valid once Walgreen's receives their license of occupancy.

Issues

Lazziza's: Chris will follow up with Councilperson Palmer's office.

Mardi Gras Zone: Anonymous letter received with a complaint.

2300 Block of Royal: No status

The John: The residents are working with the 8th District.

Tattoo Business: The business has 2- 3 cars that are parked without motors and never move.

Other:

Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form: Board members are required to sign the form.

Business Cards: Chris moved that we purchase business cards for each Board Member Second: Gretchen Vote: Unanimous Discussion one for each Board Member and Blight.

New business:

Projects

2701 St Claude Main Street Donation: St. Claude Main Street is an umbrella of FMIA and the fiscal agent for the organization. St. Claude Main Street has a new Board. Chris is asking the association to give a donation for \$500. Second: Gretchen Vote: 7 years and one abstain. Chris moved that FMIA would loan them \$2000 until they receive their check and will pay FMIA back within 5 days after deposit of check. Sec-ond: Gretchen Vote: 7 years and one abstain

Issues:

Desperado's Events: Chris moved that Gretchen send the letter and a copy with the poster Second: Ken Vote: Unanimous

Events:

St Claude Celebrates the Arts on November 13th: They need to do a Main Street event. This will be a great event because they are engaging many organizations. Eva is asking the association to donate free rental of chairs, stage, table and pay a deposit and pay for the cost of two 2 port-o-lets. Chris moved that we allow the use of our chairs, stage, tables and pay a deposit and pay for 2 port-o-let. Second: Gretchen Amendment: Revise the policy for charging non-profits for rental Second: Donna Discussion: It has been an issue in the past that non-profits paid a deposit and rent. Vote: 7 years 1 abstain

Good Children Carnival Club: Did not attend the meeting.

Fringe Festival: Artist Inc. is having an event on November 21 for the Fringe Fest. Chris moved that we allow them to use our logo on this event Second Ken Discussion Vote: 4 for 1 abstain 2 no

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 pm



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